



FIRE HAZARDS



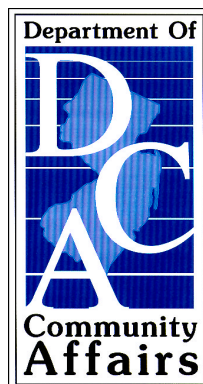
Long term loss of electrical power may cause gas generators to run constantly. When refueling allow the unit to cool down first.

- *Store fuel away from any structure or heat source.*
- *For gasoline generators use UL approved fuel containers with safety spouts to avoid fuel overfill.*
- *Check the unit regularly.*

*A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM
THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF FIRE SAFETY
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GAS GENERATOR SAFETY

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW





GAS GENERATORS ARE FAST BECOMING THE HOMEOWNER SOLUTION TO DISASTER CAUSED EXTENDED POWER OUTAGES.

COMPACT AND MOBILE THEY CAN SUPPLY A PORTION OF HOUSEHOLD ELECTRICAL NEEDS.

HOWEVER AS WITH ANY CONSUMER PRODUCT THEY CAN BE A HAZARD WHEN USED IMPROPERLY.

ITS BEST TO WAIT UNTIL POWER IS RESTORED, BUT IF YOU CANNOT, FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE GASOLINE OR PROPANE POWERED PORTABLE GENERATOR SAFETY HINTS.



GAS GENERATOR SAFETY



CARBON MONOXIDE HAZARDS



Always use generators outdoors away from doors, windows and vents.

- *NEVER use generators in homes, garages, basements, crawl spaces or any partially enclosed area, even with ventilation.*
- *Follow manufacturer's instructions.*
- *Install battery operated or plug in carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in your home.*
- *Test CO alarms often and replace batteries when needed.*

ELECTRICAL HAZARDS



- *Operate on dry, flat surfaces under an open canopy. Keep the unit dry.*
- *Plug appliances into heavy duty outdoor rated extension cords only.*
- *NEVER plug into any household outlet. If you do it will cause "back feeding" and possibly electrocute utility workers or first responders.*

